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1. REF PROPOSES NOT TO INSTALL TTY EQUIP AT UNEF CHECKPOINTS
TO SAVE COST.

2. SEVERAL INCIDENTS HAVE EMPHASIZED NEED FOR FORMATED
REPORTING SYSTEMS NOT DEPENDENT ON VOICE. IN ADDITION TO OVER-
COMING THE LANGUAGE DIFFICULTIES, WHICH ARE SIGNIFICANT, THERE
IS A NEED FOR A UNAMBIGUOUS RECORD OF WHAT WAS RECEIVED AT
BASE CAMP FROM THE UNEF SITE OVER THE LINK.

3. ON VOICE RADIO WITH CHECKPOINT ALPHA ALONE WE HAVE DEALT
WITH MFU FOUR NATIONALITIES AND NINE ACCENTS RANGING FROM

BORSCHT TO YUMPIN YIMINY. THIS HAS LEAD TO MISUNDERSTANDINGS
WHICH HAVE SO FAR FORTUNATELY CAUSED NO SERIOUS INCIDENT.
NEVERTHELESS WE FEEL RECORD TRAFFIC IS NECESSARY TO OVERCOME
THIS PROBLEM.

4. ON TWO OCCASIONS WE HAVE HAD DIFFICULTIES IN IDENTIFYING
AND LOCATING UNEF CONVOYS WHICH HAVE ENTERED THE BUFFER ZONE
HEADED FOR THE EARLY WARNING AREA DURING THE HOURS OF DARKNESS.
IN ONE CASE IDENTIFICATION WAS NOT ESTABLISHED UNTIL 0230. WE
ARE HAVING CONTINUAL DIFFICULTY WITH UNEF REPORTING OF CON-
STRUCTION CONVOYS TO AND FROM E-1 ALSO. WHILE THIS MAY NOT
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MAKE A VERY STRONG CASE FOR RECORD COMMUNICATIONS AS FAR AS

INSTITUTIONAL MEMORY IS CONCERNED, RECORD COMMUNICATIONS WILL BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN CLOSING OPERATIONAL LOOPHOLES AND ENSURING AN ADEQUATE OPERATIONAL SYSTEM.

5. FOR STILES: ALL PERSONNEL AND VEHICULAR TRAFFIC TO EGYPT NOW MUST PASS THROUGH CHECKPOINT ALPHA. ALL PERSONNEL AND VEHICULAR TRAFFIC TO ISRAEL MUST PASS THROUGH CHECKPOINT BRAVO. ISRAEL CONTINUES TO INSIST ON USING CHECKPOINT CHARLIE PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THEIR NEED TO MAINTAIN THE WATER LINE THROUGH THE GIDDI PASS. HOWEVER, IDF CONVOYS USE THIS ROUTE REGULARLY. CHECKPOINT CHARLIE WAS ESTABLISHED AFTER YOUR LAST VISIT AND IS NOW LOCATED JUST EAST OF GIDDI EAST SENSOR FIELD.

6. FOR THE ABOVE REASONS I FEEL IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE HAVE RECORD COMMUNICATIONS WITH CHECKPOINTS ALPHA AND CHARLIE. AT THE PRESENT TIME THERE IS NO NEED FOR THIS AT CHECKPOINT BRAVO AND EVEN AT THE NEW CAMP LOCATION. I BELIEVE BOTH PROXIMITY AND POINT-TO-POINT VERBAL (TELEPHONIC/RADIO) COMMUNICATION WILL CONTINUE TO BE ADEQUATE.
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